

Meeting Minutes					
Division	Iowa Medicaid Enterprise Quality Improvement Organization (QIO)				
Meeting Title:	Clinical Advisory Committee (CAC)				
Facilitator:	Bill Jagiello, D.O.				
Location:	Go To Webinar				
Date:	May 15, 2020	Time:	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.		

## **Meeting Objectives**

The purpose of the CAC is to increase the efficiency, quality and effectiveness of the Medicaid healthcare system. The CAC provides a process for physician and other health care provider contributions to promote quality care, member safety, cost effectiveness and positive physician and provider relations through discussion about Medicaid benefits and healthcare services.

The CAC is charged with recommending clinically appropriate healthcare utilization management and coverage decision to the Department of Human Services (DHS) for the Iowa Medicaid program.

Meeting Participants				
Name	Organization			
Bill Jagiello, D.O.	IME			
Dr. Nick Galioto- Family Practice				
Dr. Dennis Zachary- Family Practice				
Dr. Kathy Lange- Family Practice				
Dr. Andrea Silvers- Family Practice				
Dr. Alex Hubbell- Family Practice				
Clarice Blanchard, PA-C - Family Practice/Emergency Medicine				
Dr. Polly Ferguson- Pediatric Rheumatology				
Dr. Steven Mandler- Psychiatry				
Dr. Leslie Schechtman	Amerigroup			
Dr. Paul Mulhausen	Iowa Total Care			
Paula Motsinger	IME			
Tami Lichtenberg	IME			
Cassie Reece	IME			
Teri Stolte	IME			
Chris VanWynn	Sarepta			

Kelly Maynard	Little Hercules	
Leslie Zanetti	Sarepta	
Rob Kilo	Biogen	
Mike Frey	Novo Nordisk	
Brenda McLaughlin	Viking Health Care Solutions	
Kimberly Piper	IDPH	
Noel Charshe	Ultragenyx	
Megan Bell	Ultragenyx	
Christina Trout	University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics	
Karen Floeder	Biohaven Pharma	
Seth Bernstein	Allergan	
Tom Arnhart	Ultragenyx	
Tom Kelly	Ascendis Pharma	
Carolyn Hickey	Sarepta	
Kim Witte	AveXis	

Agenda Topics	Responsible Party	
Introductions/Announcements-	Dr. Jagiello	
Thank Dr. Galioto for 6 years of serving on the CAC		
Approval of Minutes from February meeting	Dr. Jagiello	
Old Business	Dr. Jagiello	
New Business-		
Amerigroup update-	Dr. Schechtman	
2. Iowa Total Care update-	Dr. Paul Mulhausen	
3. IME update-	Dr. Jagiello	
4. Replacement for Dr. Galioto-	Dr. Jagiello	
5. MCO Medical Directors and their role at the CAC meeting	Dr. Jagiello	
Public Comment Period	Guests	

Criteria Review	Dr. Jagiello
<ol> <li>Consumer Directed Attendant Care (CDAC)- WPA</li> <li>Blepharoplasty</li> <li>Fecal Microbiota Transplantation</li> <li>Septoplasty/Rhinoplasty</li> <li>Vagus Nerve Stimulator</li> <li>Varicose Vein Treatment</li> <li>Genetic testing</li> <li>Negative Pressure Wound Therapy</li> <li>Crysvita (Burosumab)</li> <li>Eteplirsen (Exondys 51)</li> <li>Vitamin, Mineral, Amino Acid Supplements</li> <li>Augmentative Communication Systems</li> <li>Gait trainer/ Standing frame system</li> <li>Safety Beds</li> <li>Shower/Commode chair</li> <li>Nursing Facility Level of Care</li> <li>Personal Care Services for Children</li> <li>Skilled Level of Care</li> </ol>	
Upcoming Meetings July 17, 2020 Oct. 16, 2020	Dr. Jagiello
Adjournment	Dr. Jagiello

**Minutes:** February meeting minutes were approved. Dr. Galioto offered the first motion and Dr. Ferguson seconded. The motion carried.

## **New Business:**

- 1. Amerigroup update- Dr. Schechtman- From a health plan standpoint we look at UM cases that are COVID related and approve them inpatient standpoint. We have PA waivers in place for skilled facilities. And the Governor has lifted the restriction on elective procedures so we are starting to see a slow increase with those on our end. We continue to have a task force that works very closely from a health plan level as well as a corporate level keeping tabs and moving forward with the government's direction as well as direction from the CDC. We have a new program in place with our NICU program, we've regionalized our NICU program and combined case management and utilization management, and this allows us to make sure care is coordinated and moving smoothly from that standpoint. From a provider standpoint it will be really helpful as well. All of the reviews will be done by a single source that carries forth to the peer to peer reviews and will develop a good relationship with our dedicated UM medical director in that arena.
- 2. Iowa Total Care update- Dr. Mulhausen- We've been working very hard to align our policy approach to COVID-19 with both Amerigroup and IME to provide a singular and seamlessly aligned approach to Prior Authorizations waivers and extensions to already approved authorizations that had to be postponed due to the COVID public health emergency. We are starting to experience an increase for authorizations for services and I think we will continue to see that grow. Nothing else to report at this time.

- 3. IME update- Dr. Jagiello- IME is expanding home delivered meal services, homemakers and companion services so that people can stay safely in their homes and have access of these services. Telehealth has involved a huge commitment, this pandemic has put those services on steroids to replace face to face office encounter. That requires a lot of work behind the scenes with coding and CMS, it's been a huge team effort to get this up and running and work well. There was a provision in one of the packages passed by congress to allow coverage to the uninsured to obtain testing for COVID-19, some work has gone into that to determine eligibility and which tests were available.
- 4. Replacement for Dr. Galioto- Dr. Jagiello- Dr. Galioto has suggested a colleague of his, Dr. Dana Danley. Her area is family medicine and emergency medicine work at Broadlawns Hospital. She will join us at our next meeting in July.
- 5. MCO Medical Directors and their role at the CAC meeting- Dr. Jagiello- The MCO Medical Directors are not to be considered voting members of the CAC committee but we value their input in terms of knowledge, experience and feedback. I also am not a voting member unless there is a tie. We continue to work together with the MCO Medical Directors at a separate internal meeting called the MCO Medical Directors meeting.

## **Public Comment Period:**

Dr. Jagiello offered a quick update to Eteplirsen (Exondys 51). Thank you to Dr. Ferguson she put me in contact with Dr. Mathews, a pediatric neurologist who is in charge of the neuromuscular program at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics which encompasses all children with muscular dystrophy within the state. She provided feedback as a Subject Matter Expert. I rewrote the age limit and the drug can still be useful for non-ambulatory patients. They must have use of their upper extremities and cannot be dependent on a ventilator during the daytime.

**Letter from Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy**- the leading national advocacy organization in the United States dedicated to ending Duchenne. (See handout titled: 5.15.20 lowa DUR- PPMD Comment). The letter requested that we not limit coverage to ambulatory patients only.

**Leslie Zanetti, Sarepta-** Offered to answer any questions.

Christina Trout, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics- Offered to answer any questions.

**Megan Bell, Ultragenynx**- Ultragenyx said she was available to answer questions on Crysvita if needed and Tom Arnhart- Ultragenyx was also available if needed.

## **Criteria Review:**

- 1. Consumer Directed Attendant Care (CDAC)- WPA- No recommendations. Dr. Silvers motioned to approve, Dr. Galioto seconded. Motion carried to approve.
- 2. Blepharoplasty- No recommendations. Clarice Blanchard motioned to approve, Dr. Galioto seconded. Motion carried to approve.
- 3. Fecal Microbiota Transplantation- Policy section for repeat treatments was discussed. Dr. Ferguson offered to send in literature on medical necessity for repeat treatments. The section was removed and amended to say Repeat fecal transplantation may be considered medically necessary if the patient continues to meet the above criteria. Dr.

- Ferguson motioned to approve as amended, Dr. Zachary seconded. The motion carried as approved.
- 4. Septoplasty/Rhinoplasty- No recommendations. Dr. Galioto motioned to approve, Dr. Zachary seconded. Motion carried as approved.
- 5. Vagus Nerve Stimulator- No recommendations. Dr. Silvers motioned to approve, Clarice Blanchard seconded. Motion carried as approved.
- 6. Varicose Vein Treatment- No recommendations. Dr. Silvers motioned to approve, Dr Galioto seconded. Motion carried as approved.
- 7. Genetic testing- No recommendations at this time, Dr. Jagiello will form a work group and break it up into 10-15 different policies. He will get them written and bring to the committee for approval throughout the next year possibly. Kim Piper was identified as a Subject Matter Expert, she is the state wide genetic services coordinator. Dr. Ferguson also offered to assist and offered another subject matter expert that could also be contacted as a resource. Dr. Zachary motioned to approve as is, Dr. Silvers seconded. Motion carried as approved.
- 8. Negative Pressure Wound Therapy- No recommendations. Dr. Galioto motioned to approve. Dr. Ferguson seconded the motion. The motion carried as approved.
- 9. Crysvita (Burosumab)- No recommendations. Tom Arnhart, Ultragenyx- recommended revisions. Policy was pulled and this will be moved to the July meeting.
- 10. Eteplirsen (Exondys 51)- Removed age requirement and the ambulatory requirement was removed and replaced with those that have functional use of the upper extremities and are not on full time daytime ventilation. Renewal is along the same lines. Dr. Mulhausen asked about how to address that their policy is more restrictive than the presented policy. Dr. Jagiello asked that his concern be addressed at the MCO Medical Directors meeting. Christina Trout offered that there would be very few members seeking this treatment. Currently there are a total of 8 throughout the whole lowa population and none of them are Medicaid members at this time. Dr. Zachary motioned to approve, Dr. Ferguson seconded. All approved the revised policy, and motion carried.
- 11. Vitamin, Mineral, Amino Acid Supplements- No recommendations. Dr. Silvers offered that she has had no difficulty getting these covered. Clarice Blanchard motioned to approve. Dr. Silvers seconded. Motion carried as approved.
- 12. Augmentative Communication Systems- Rewrote the description, amended criteria on eligibility. Certain devices are excluded from coverage, only dedicated devices are covered. Revised the coding. Dr. Galioto motioned to approve as revised. Clarice Blanchard seconded. Motion was carried as approved.
- 13. Gait trainer/ Standing frame system- No recommendations. Dr. Zachary motioned to approved. Dr. Silvers seconded. Motion carried as approved.
- 14. Safety Beds- No recommendations. Dr. Galioto motioned to approve. Dr. Zachary seconded. Motion carried as approved.
- 15. Shower/Commode chair- No recommendations. Dr. Silvers motioned to approve. Dr. Zachary seconded. Motion carried as approved.
- 16. Nursing Facility Level of Care- No recommendations. Dr. Galioto motioned to approve. Dr. Zachary seconded. Motion carried as approved.
- 17. Personal Care Services for Children- No recommendations. Clarice Blanchard motioned to approve. Dr. Zachary seconded. Motion carried as approved.
- 18. Private Duty Nursing for Children- No recommendations. Dr. Galioto motioned to approve. Dr. Silvers seconded. Motion carried as approved.

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19. Skilled Level of Care- No recommendations. Dr. Galioto motioned to approve. Dr. Zachary seconded. Motion carried as approved.